# Appendix A—Digest of Other White House Announcements

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this book.

#### October 1

In the morning, in Miami, FL, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Allentown, PA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Cheryl Hornung.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Manchester, NH, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Paul Freeman. Later, at the McIntyre Ski Area in Manchester, he participated in a Victory 2004 rally.

Later in the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to nominate Ronald Rosenfeld to be a Director on the Board of Directors of the Federal Housing Finance Board.

The President announced his intention to nominate Michael Butler to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation.

The President announced his intention to appoint Robin Cook, Charles L. Glazer, and Peter S. Watson to be members of the Board of Trustees of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.

The President announced his intention to appoint David Wayne Anderson, Cynthia R. Church, and Soyna E. Medina as members of the Board of Trustees of the American Folklife Center.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the Commission on the Abraham Lincoln Study Abroad Fellowship Program:

John K. Andrews, Jr.; Jim Edgar; Lynette Boggs McDonald; and Lyn Bracewell Phillips. The President announced his intention to appoint Scott Wallace (Chairman), C. Martin Harris, and William W. Stead as members of the Commission on Systemic Interoperability.

#### October 2

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Columbus, OH, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Karen Kindron. He then began a bus tour.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Mansfield, OH.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Cuyahoga Falls, OH. While en route aboard the bus, he met with leaders of the Fraternal Order of Police.

Later in the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the evening.

The White House announced that on October 1 the President declared a major disaster in New York and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding on August 29–September 16.

The White House announced that on October 1 the President declared a major disaster in New York and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Tropical Depression Ivan on September 16–24.

The White House announced that on October 1 the President declared a major disaster in New Jersey and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Tropical Depression Ivan beginning on September 18 and continuing.

## October 3

During the day, the President participated in a debate preparation session.

#### October 4

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi of Italy to congratulate him on the birth of his second grandson, to extend birthday greetings, and to discuss the September 28 release of two Italian hostages held in Iraq. He then had an intelligence briefing.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Des Moines, IA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Tony Salem

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Clive, IA. Later, he returned to Washington, DC.

## October 5

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the evening, in the Residence, the President watched the Vice Presidential debate. Later, he had a telephone conversation with Vice President Dick Cheney to discuss the debate.

## October 6

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Wilkes-Barre, PA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteers Blake, Mona, and Katherine Schomas.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Detroit, MI, where, upon arrival in the afternoon, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Robert Eastman. He then traveled to Farmington Hills, MI.

Later in the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the evening.

# October 7

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. He then had a telephone conversation with President Hu Jintao of China to discuss China-U.S. relations, the situation in North Korea, economic issues, and China-Taiwan relations.

Later in the morning, in the Oval Office, the President met with Finance Minister Adil Abd al-Mahdi of the Iraqi Interim Government.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Wausau, WI, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Dolores Milbeck. Later, he traveled to St. Louis, MO, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Fred Ruhrwien.

The President made additional disaster assistance available to Florida by authorizing an increase in the level of Federal funding for Public Assistance projects undertaken as a result of Tropical Storm Bonnie and Hurricane Charley and Hurricanes Frances, Ivan, and Jeanne.

The President declared a major disaster in South Carolina and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Tropical Storm Frances beginning on September 6 and continuing.

The President declared a major disaster in Minnesota and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding beginning on September 14 and continuing.

The President declared a major disaster in the U.S. Virgin Islands and ordered Federal aid to supplement Territory and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Tropical Storm Jeanne on September 14–17.

The President declared a major disaster in Tennessee and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding on September 16–20.

#### October 8

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President-elect Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono of Indonesia to congratulate him on his October 4 election victory. He then had an intelligence briefing.

The President announced his intention to nominate Frederick William Hatfield to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate Harold Damelin to be Inspector General of the Department of the Treasury.

The President announced his intention to nominate Edward L. Flippen to be Inspector General of the Corporation for National and Community Service.

The President announced his intention to nominate Brian David Miller to be Inspector General of the General Services Administration.

The President announced his intention to appoint Gen. Richard B. Myers, USAF, as a Governor on the Board of Governors of the American National Red Cross.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jorge A. Plasencia to be a member of the Advisory Board for Cuba Broadcasting. The President announced his intention to nominate Carolyn L. Gallagher and Louis J. Giuliano to be Governors on the Board of Governors of the U.S. Postal Service.

The President announced his intention to appoint A. Wilson Greene and Katina P. Strauch as members of the National Museum and Library Services Board.

## October 9

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Waterloo, IA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Jim Glaza.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Chanhassen, MN, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Ken Porwoll. Later, they traveled to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX.

# October 10

In the evening, the President participated in a debate preparation session.

#### October 11

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Hobbs, NM, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Jamie Gaston.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Denver, CO, arriving in the afternoon. Upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Ashley Stieb.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to Morrison, CO. Later, he returned to Denver, CO. While en route, he participated in a debate preparation session.

# October 12

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Colorado Springs, CO, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteers Bob Carlone and Joe Henjum.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Paradise Valley, AZ, arriving in the afternoon. Upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Marcelo Chan.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to Phoenix, AZ.

Also in the afternoon, the President participated in debate preparation sessions.

In the evening, the President participated in a debate preparation session. Later, he and Mrs. Bush, who joined the President earlier in the day, had dinner with Senator John McCain of Arizona and his wife, Cindy.

# October 13

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Tempe, AZ. Later, they returned to Phoenix, AZ.

#### October 14

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Las Vegas, NV, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Dick Cancellier.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Reno, NV, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Frank Schnorbus.

Later in the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Central Point, OR, arriving in the evening. Upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Lois Rodger.

Later in the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Jacksonville, OR.

## October 15

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Cedar Rapids, IA. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had an intelligence briefing. Upon arrival in Cedar Rapids, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Linda Peterson.

Later in the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Oshkosh, WI, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Jeff Kemp.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to designate Darrell Irions and Dee J. Kelly, Jr., as members of the Board of Governors on the United Service Organizations, Inc.

The President announced his intention to designate William A. Moorman as Acting Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Management.

## October 16

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Sunrise, FL.

Later in the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to West Palm Beach, FL, arriving in the afternoon. Later, they traveled to Daytona Beach, FL.

Later in the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the evening.

#### October 18

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Marlton, NJ, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Jeff Jacobs.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to Boca Raton, FL, where, upon arrival in the evening, he met USA Freedom Corps volunteer Cathy Scheppke. He then attended a Victory 2004 dinner at a private residence.

Later in the evening, the President traveled to St. Pete Beach, FL.

The President declared a major disaster in Virginia and ordered Federal aid to supplement Commonwealth and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding from the remnants of Hurricane Jeanne beginning on September 27 and continuing.

# October 19

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. He then traveled to St. Petersburg, FL. Later, he traveled to New Port Richey, FL.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to The Villages, FL. Later, he returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the evening.

## October 20

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Mason City, IA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Matthew Meyer.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Rochester, MN, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Sister Chabanel Hayunga.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Eau Claire, WI, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Mick Jay Krueger. Later in the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the evening.

## October 21

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Then, in the Roosevelt Room, he participated in the signing ceremony for S. 2634, the Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Act. Later, in the Map Room, he participated in interviews with the Hispanic television networks Univision and Telemundo for later broadcast.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Downingtown, PA, where, upon arrival in the afternoon, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Charlotte Huber. Later, at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, he met with Justin Cardinal Rigali, Archbishop of Philadelphia, PA.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to Hershey, PA. Later, he returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the evening.

#### October 22

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Wilkes-Barre, PA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Dolly Yunkunis.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Canton, OH, where, upon arrival in the afternoon, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Dan Yeric.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to St. Petersburg, FL, where, upon arrival in the evening, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Chip Collins. He then attended a Victory 2004 dinner at a private residence. Later, he traveled to St. Pete Beach.

# October 23

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. He and Mrs. Bush then traveled to Fort Myers, FL. Later, they traveled to Lakeland, FL.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Melbourne, FL. Later, they traveled to Jacksonville, FL, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Elwood Thalheimer.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX.

#### October 24

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Alamogordo, NM, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Nicole Cox.

Later in the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX, arriving in the evening.

# October 25

In the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Greeley, CO. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had an intelligence briefing.

Later in the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Council Bluffs, IA, where, upon arrival in the afternoon, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Donna Campbell. Later in the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Davenport, IA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Tom Ryan.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to La Crosse, WI.

#### October 26

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. He and Mrs. Bush then began a bus tour by traveling to Onalaska, WI. Later, they traveled to Richland Center, WI.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Cuba City, WI. Later, they traveled to Dubuque, IA, concluding their bus tour.

Later in the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the evening.

## October 27

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. He then participated in an interview with Jim Gray of the ESPN television channel for later broadcast.

Later in the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Lititz, PA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Connie Rutt.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Vienna, OH, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Bill Carney. Later, they traveled to Findlay, OH, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Tom Joseph.

Later in the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Pontiac, MI, where, upon arrival in the evening, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Mia Zimmerman. Upon arrival at the Superdome, they met with African American leaders.

Later in the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Rochester, MI.

## October 28

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. He then had telephone conversations with John W. Henry, principal owner, Larry Lucchino, president and chief executive officer, and Curt Schilling, pitcher, Boston Red Sox, to congratulate them on winning the Major League Baseball World Series.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Saginaw, MI. Later, he traveled to Dayton, OH. While en route aboard Air Force One, he participated in an interview with Judy Keen of USA Today. Upon arrival in Dayton, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Carol McClure.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Westlake, OH, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Amy Poklar.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to Yardley, PA, where, upon arrival in the evening, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Joe Morrison. Later, he returned to Washington, DC.

#### October 29

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Manchester, NH, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Joannie Barrett.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Portsmouth, NH. Later, they traveled to Toledo, OH, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Norm Thal.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Columbus, OH, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Peggy Valentino.

## October 30

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. He and Mrs. Bush then traveled to Grand Rapids, MI. While en route, aboard Air Force One, he participated in three separate interviews with Ohio network affiliate

television stations. Upon arrival in Grand Rapids, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Judy Hunt.

Later in the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Green Bay, WI, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Lila Cody. They then traveled to Ashwaubenon, WI.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Minneapolis, MN, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Maya Babu.

Later in the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Orlando, FL, arriving in the evening. Upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Malee Austin.

#### October 31

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he participated in an interview with Tom Brokaw of NBC News. He and Mrs. Bush then traveled to Miami, FL, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Eric Vaz.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Tampa, FL, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Mildred Brisker. They then traveled to Gainesville, FL, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Dr. Larry Smith.

Later in the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Cincinnati, OH, where, upon arrival in the evening, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Sue Stuempel.

# November 1

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. He and Mrs. Bush then traveled to Wilmington, OH.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Pittsburgh, PA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Joan Roth. He then traveled to Burgettstown, PA. Later, he traveled to Milwaukee, WI, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Cory Helland.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Des Moines, IA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Brittany Overstreet. Later, he traveled to Sioux City, IA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Terri Ross.

Later in the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush, who joined him in Iowa, traveled to Albuquerque, NM, where, upon arrival in the evening, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Jade Wright.

Later in the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Dallas, TX, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Tish Aldridge. Later, they traveled to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX.

## November 2

In the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush went to the Crawford Fire Station to vote. Later, they traveled to Columbus, OH.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC, where, upon arrival on the South Lawn, they were greeted by White House staff.

During the day, the President monitored election results.

## November 3

In the morning, in the Oval Office, the President had separate telephone conversations with Representative Richard Burr, David Vitter, and Mel R. Martinez to congratulate them on their election victories in the North Carolina, Louisiana, and Florida Senate races, respectively.

Later in the morning, in the Oval Office, the President had intelligence and FBI briefings. He then had separate telephone conversations with former Representative John Thune, Representative Jim DeMint, Senator Jim Bunning, and former Representative Tom Coburn to congratulate them on their election victories in the South Dakota, South Carolina, Kentucky, and Oklahoma Senate races, respectively.

Later in the morning, in the Oval Office, the President received a telephone call from Democratic Presidential candidate John F. Kerry in which Senator Kerry conceded the November 2 election. During the call, the President expressed his appreciation for Senator Kerry's efforts in the campaign.

## November 4

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President Khalifa bin Zayid Al Nuhayyan of the United Arab Emirates to express his condolences on the death of his father, former President Shaykh Zayid bin Sultan Al Nuhayyan. He then had a telephone conversation with President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan to congratulate him on his October 9 election victory.

Later in the morning, the President had separate telephone conversations with Prime Minister Ariel Sharon of Israel, Prime Minister Ayad Allawi of the Iraqi Interim Government, President Aleksander Kwasniewski of Poland, President Vladimir Putin of Russia, and Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi of Italy, all of whom congratulated the President on his reelection victory. He then had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, on the State Floor, the President met with campaign staff to thank them for their efforts during the campaign. He then traveled to Camp David, MD.

The President announced the November 3 recess appointments of Carolyn L. Gallagher and Louis J. Giuliano as Governors on the Board of Governors of the U.S. Postal Service.

#### November 5

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

During the day, the President had a video conference with the National Security Council to discuss the situation in Fallujah, Iraq.

#### November 6

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Prime Minister Tony Blair of the United Kingdom to the White House for discussions on November 11–12.

#### November 7

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

#### November 8

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld. He also had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi of Japan to discuss the situation in North Korea.

## November 9

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

The White House announced that the President will meet with North Atlantic Treaty Organization Secretary General Jakob "Jaap" Gijsbert de Hoop Scheffer at the White House on November 10

The White House announced that the President will attend the 12th Asia-Pacific Economic

Cooperation (APEC) Leaders' Meeting in Santiago, Chile, on November 20–21 and later will participate in an official visit with President Ricardo Lagos of Chile.

#### November 10

In the morning, the President had separate telephone conversations with President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo of the Philippines, Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong of Singapore, Prime Minister Pedro Santana Lopes of Portugal, and King Abdullah II of Jordan, all of whom congratulated the President on his reelection victory.

Later in the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing and met with the National Security Council. He then met with Secretary of State Colin L. Powell.

During the day, the President met with Senator John McCain of Arizona to discuss legislative priorities.

# November 11

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, on the State Floor, he hosted a reception for veterans, leaders of veterans organizations, and Medal of Honor recipients.

Later in the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Arlington, VA, where they participated in a wreath-laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

During the day, the President had separate telephone conversations with President Jorge Batlle Ibanez of Uruguay, Prime Minister Ferenc Gyurcsany of Hungary, European Commission President Jose Manuel Durao Barroso, Prime Minister Kjell Magne Bondevik of Norway, and President Ahmet Necdet Sezer of Turkey, all of whom congratulated the President on his reelection victory.

In the evening, in the Residence, the President had dinner with Prime Minister Tony Blair of the United Kingdom.

## November 12

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing and met with the National Security Council. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with Prime Minister Tony Blair of the United Kingdom.

In the afternoon, in the Old Family Dining Room, the President had a working lunch with Prime Minister Blair. Later, on the State Floor, the President met with members of the Republican National Committee and the Victory Committee to thank them for their efforts during the campaign.

During the day, the President had separate telephone conversations with President Vaclav Klaus of the Czech Republic, President Valdas Adamkus of Lithuania, and President Paul Kagame of Rwanda, all of whom congratulated the President on his reelection victory.

The White House announced that the President will travel to Cartagena, Colombia, to meet with President Alvaro Uribe of Colombia on November 22.

The White House announced that the President and Mrs. Bush will host King Juan Carlos I and Queen Sofia of Spain for a private luncheon in Crawford, TX, on November 24.

#### November 13

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

#### November 15

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing and met with the National Security Council.

In the afternoon, in the State Dining Room, the President hosted a lunch for newly elected Members of the House of Representatives. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist and Speaker of the House of Representatives J. Dennis Hastert to discuss legislative priorities.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jonathan Steven Adelstein to be a Commissioner of the Federal Communications Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate Harold Jennings Creel, Jr., to be a Commissioner of the Federal Maritime Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate Patricia Cushwa to be a member of the U.S. Parole Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate Michael V. Dunn to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. The President announced his intention to nominate Tony Hammond to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate Albert Henry Konetzni, Jr., to be a member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate Dallas Tonsager to be a member of the Farm Credit Administration Board.

The President announced his intention to nominate Raymond Thomas Wagner, Jr., to be a member of the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jay T. Snyder to be a member of the U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy.

The President announced his intention to nominate Ernest J. Wilson III to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

The President announced his intention to nominate Sharon Tucker to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation.

The President announced his intention to nominate Laurie Stenberg Nichols, Edward Alton Parrish, and Charles P. Ruch to be members of the Board of Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jacob Joseph Lew and Mimi Mager to be members of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service.

The President announced his intention to nominate D. Jeffrey Hirschberg and Kenneth Y. Tomlinson (Chairman) to be members of the Broadcasting Board of Governors.

The President announced his intention to appoint John Salamone as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Christopher Columbus Fellowship Foundation.

## November 16

In the morning, the President had separate telephone conversations with President Umar Hasan Ahmad al-Bashir of Sudan and Dr. John Garang de Mabior, Chairman of the Sudan People's Liberation Movement, to discuss the peace process in Sudan. He then had an intelligence briefing.

The White House announced that the President will visit Ottawa, Canada, from November 30 to December 1 to meet with Prime Minister Paul Martin of Canada.

The President announced his intention to appoint Stephen J. Hadley as Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs.

The President declared a major disaster in Delaware and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms, tornadoes, and flooding from the remnants of Hurricane Jeanne on September 28 to October 2.

The President declared a major disaster in Alaska and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by a severe winter storm, tidal surges, and flooding on October 18–20.

# November 17

In the morning, in his private dining room, the President had a breakfast meeting with congressional leaders to discuss legislative priorities. At the meeting, he congratulated Senator Harry Reid of Nevada on his selection as new Senate minority leader. He then had an intelligence briefing.

Later in the morning, in the Oval Office, the President participated in a photo opportunity with Shauna Fleming, founder, A Million Thanks.

In the afternoon, in the Roosevelt Room, the President met with members of the Commission on the Intelligence Capabilities of the United States Regarding Weapons of Mass Destruction, who updated him on the Commission's progress.

Later in the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President and Mrs. Bush presented the National Medal of Arts awards and the National Humanities Medal awards.

The President announced the following recipients of the National Medal of Arts for 2004:

Ray Bradbury; Carlisle Floyd; Frederick "Rick" Hart; Anthony Hecht; John Ruthven; Vincent Scully; Twyla Tharp; and the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.

The President announced the following recipients of the National Humanities Medal for 2004:

Marva Collins;

Gertrude Himmelfarb; Hilton Kramer; Madeleine L'Engle; Harvey Mansfield; John Searle; Shelby Steele; and the U.S. Capitol Historical Society.

The President announced his intention to appoint Harriet Miers as Counsel to the President.

#### November 18

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Little Rock, AR.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX. *November 19* 

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Santiago, Chile, arriving in the evening.

Later in the evening, the President had a telephone conversation with Representative F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr., to discuss intelligence reform legislation.

The President announced that the following individuals will serve as the leadership of the 2005 Presidential Inaugural Committee:

Jeanne L. Phillips, chairman; Greg Jenkins, executive director; Bill and Kathy DeWitt, cochairs; Brad Freeman, cochair; and Mercer and Gabrielle Reynolds, cochairs.

The President announced that the following individuals will serve as members of the 2005 Presidential Inaugural Finance Committee:

Nancy and Rich Kinder; Dawn and Al Hoffman; Dawn and Roland Arnall; Marcy and Bruce Benson; Sue Ellen and Joe Canizaro; Germaine and Jim Culbertson; Marilyn and Sam Fox; Martha and Dwight Schar; and Patty and Roger Williams.

## November 20

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, at the Hyatt Regency Santiago, he had separate meetings with President Hu Jintao of China, Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi of Japan, President Roh Moohyun of South Korea, President Susilo Bambang

Yudhoyono of Indonesia, and Prime Minister Paul Martin of Canada.

In the afternoon, also at the Hyatt Regency Santiago, the President had a working lunch with President Vladimir Putin of Russia. Later, at the Espacio Riesco Convention Center, he attended the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Leaders' Meeting.

In the evening, at the Estacion Mapocho Cultural Center, the President and Mrs. Bush attended the APEC leaders' official dinner and a cultural presentation.

## November 21

In the morning, at the Hyatt Regency Santiago, the President met with President Vicente Fox of Mexico. Then, at La Moneda Presidential Palace, he had separate brief meetings with Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong of Singapore and President Alejandro Toledo of Peru. Later, also at La Moneda, he participated in a photo opportunity with APEC leaders and then attended the APEC Leaders' Meeting.

In the afternoon, at the Hyatt Regency Santiago, the President greeted U.S. Embassy staff and their families.

In the evening, at La Moneda Presidential Palace, the President met with President Ricardo Lagos of Chile. Later, he and Mrs. Bush had dinner with President Lagos and his wife, Luisa Duran de Lagos.

#### November 22

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Cartagena, Colombia.

In the afternoon, at Casa de Huespedes, the President and Mrs. Bush participated in an arrival ceremony with President Alvaro Uribe of Colombia and his wife, Lina Maria Moreno de Uribe.

Later in the afternoon, also at Casa de Huespedes, the President had a meeting and a working lunch with President Uribe. He then participated in a photo opportunity with Major League Baseball players Edgar Renteria and Orlando Cabrera and youth from Colombian baseball camps.

Later in the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX, arriving in the evening.

#### November 23

In the morning, the President had intelligence, national security, and FBI briefings. Later, he met with the National Security Council by video teleconference.

#### November 24

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush welcomed King Juan Carlos I and Queen Sofia of Spain to the Bush Ranch for a private luncheon.

The White House announced that the President will welcome King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa of Bahrain to Washington, DC, for a working visit on November 29.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Olusegun Obasanjo of Nigeria, current Chairman of the African Union, to the White House on December 2.

#### November 25

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

During the day, the President had several telephone conversations with members of the U.S. Armed Forces.

#### November 26

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

#### November 27

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

## November 28

In the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the afternoon.

# November 29

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President met with King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa of Bahrain.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Pervez Musharraf of Pakistan to the White House on December 4

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Abdoulaye Wade

of Senegal to the White House on December 6.

The President announced his intention to nominate Carlos M. Gutierrez to be Secretary of Commerce.

## November 30

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Ottawa, Canada, where, upon arrival at Ottawa MacDonald-Cartier International Airport, they met Governor General Adrienne Clarkson of Canada.

Later in the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush went to Parliament Hill, where they met Prime Minister Paul Martin of Canada and his wife, Sheila. Later, they signed a guest book and met with Parliament officials. The President then met with Prime Minister Martin.

In the afternoon, in the Lester B. Pearson Building, the President had a working lunch with Prime Minister Martin. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Gatineau, Canada, where they participated in a tour of the National Archives Preservation Centre.

Later in the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Ottawa. Then, in the Government Conference Centre, the President met with leader of the Official Opposition, Stephen Harper. Later, in the Main Hall, he and Mrs. Bush, who joined him after his meeting with Mr. Harper, greeted Embassy staff.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush went to the Canadian Museum of Civilization in Gatineau, where, in the Grand Hall, they participated in an official dinner hosted by Prime Minister and Mrs. Martin.

Later in the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Ottawa.

# December 1

In the morning, the President traveled to Halifax, Canada. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with 2004 Nobel Laureates Linda Buck, Finn Kydland, Edward Prescott, Frank Wilczek, David Gross, and Richard Axel.

In the evening, on the State Floor, the President hosted a holiday reception.

The White House announced that the President will meet with King Abdullah II of Jordan at the White House on December 6.

#### December 2

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in Room 450 of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Executive Office Building, he made remarks to the American Legislative Exchange Council.

In the afternoon, the President had separate telephone conversations with Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist and Speaker of the House of Representatives J. Dennis Hastert to discuss legislative priorities.

In the evening, on the State Floor, the President hosted a holiday reception.

The President announced his intention to nominate Gov. Mike Johanns of Nebraska to be Secretary of Agriculture.

The President announced his designation of the following individuals as members of the Presidential delegation to the inauguration of President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan:

Vice President Dick Cheney (head of delegation);

Lynne Cheney; Donald H. Rumsfeld; Zalmay Khalilzad; Christina B. Rocca; and Karen Hughes.

## December 3

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, in Room 350 of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Executive Office Building, the President participated in a signing ceremony for the Internet Tax Nondiscrimination Act.

In the evening, on the State Floor, the President hosted a holiday reception.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Ghazi al-Ujayl al-Yawr of the Iraqi Interim Government to the White House on December 6.

The President announced his intention to nominate Bernard B. Kerik to be Secretary of Homeland Security.

The President announced his intention to nominate James William Carr, George M. Dennison, and Andrew J. McKenna, Jr., to be members of the National Security Education Board.

The President announced his intention to appoint Rebecca F. Denlinger, Gregory A. Peters, and Bruce Rohde as members of the National Infrastructure Advisory Council.

The President announced his intention to appoint Randall L. Stephenson as a member of the President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee.

The President announced his intention to nominate Harry Robinson, Jr., to be a member of the Museum and Library Services Board.

## December 4

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Philadelphia, PA, to attend the Army-Navy football game at Lincoln Financial Field. Before the game, he met with both teams in their locker rooms and participated in the opening coin toss. He watched the first half of the game from Army's side of the field and the second half from Navy's.

In the evening, the President returned to Washington, DC.

## December 5

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush attended the Kennedy Center Honors ceremony at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

#### December 6

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President met with President Abdoulaye Wade of Senegal. Later, on the State Floor, he and Mrs. Bush participated in the Children's Christmas Reception and Program.

Later in the afternoon, in the Cabinet Room, the President met with bipartisan Members of Congress to discuss Social Security.

The President announced his intention to appoint Kenneth Marcus as Staff Director of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, with the concurrence of a majority of the Commission.

The President announced his appointment of Gerald A. Reynolds and Ashley L. Taylor as members of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

The President announced his designation of Gerald A. Reynolds and Abigail Thernstrom as Chairperson and Vice Chairperson, respectively, of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, with the concurrence of a majority of the Commission.

#### December 7

In the morning, the President traveled to Miramar, CA. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had an intelligence briefing. Upon arrival, he met with Kathryn Ostapuk, whom he presented with the President's Volunteer Service Award

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Camp Pendleton, CA, where he presented the Presidential Unit Citation to the Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force SOUTH/Task Force K-BAR. Later, he had lunch with military personnel.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the evening.

## December 8

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing and met with the National Security Council.

In the evening, on the State Floor, the President participated in separate holiday receptions with members of the Presidential Protective Detail and staff members of the White House and the Executive Office of the President.

#### December 9

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had telephone conversations with President Aleksander Kwasniewski of Poland and President Valdas Adamkus of Lithuania to discuss the situation in Ukraine.

In the afternoon, in an Oval Office ceremony, the President received diplomatic credentials from Ambassadors Federico Humbert de Arias of Panama, Francisco Tomas Duenas Leiva of Costa Rica, Jehangir Karamat of Pakistan, Mahamoud Adam Bechir of Chad, John Bruton of the European Commission, and Maris Riekstins of Latvia.

Later in the afternoon, in Room 476 of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Executive Office Building, the President met with rabbis and Jewish community leaders. Later, on the State Floor, he and Mrs. Bush participated in a holiday reception.

The White House announced that the President will travel to Europe in February 2005 for meetings with European leaders, beginning his consultations in Brussels, Belgium, on February 22, meeting with allied heads of state and Government at NATO. The President will also meet with the EU Presidency, the European

Council, and the European Commission President.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jim Nicholson to be Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

## December 10

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Residence, he participated in an interview with People magazine.

In the afternoon, in the Roosevelt Room, the President dropped by a meeting of the National Security Council and participants of the U.S.-Russia Volunteer Initiative.

Later in the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Fort Belvoir, VA. Later, they returned to Washington, DC.

The White House announced that the President will host Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi of Italy for a meeting and lunch on December 15.

The President announced his intention to nominate Samuel W. Bodman to be Secretary of Energy.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the President's Committee on the National Medal of Science:

Bruce N. Ames; Randolph W. Bromery; Winfred M. Phillips; and

Jean'ne Marie Shreeve (Chairperson).

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the Helping to Enhance the Livelihood of People (HELP) Around the Globe Commission:

Carol Craigle Adelman; Mary K. Bush; Glenn Estess; C. Boyden Gray (Chairman); Carla Hills; and Walter H. Kansteiner.

## December 11

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, MD, where he had his annual physical examination and visited injured U.S. military personnel.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC.

#### December 12

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush went to the National Building Museum where they participated in the taping of the annual "Christmas in Washington" concert for later television broadcast.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to the White House. Later, on the State Floor, they hosted a holiday reception.

#### December 13

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

The President announced his intention to nominate Michael O. Leavitt to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.

#### December 14

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, at Blair House, the President and Mrs. Bush hosted a holiday reception for members of the diplomatic corps.

In the evening, on the State Floor, the President hosted a holiday reception.

The President announced the recess appointment of Ronald Rosenfeld as a director of the Board of Directors of the the Federal Housing Finance Board, and his designation as Chairman of the Federal Housing Finance Board.

## December 15

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President-elect Traian Basescu of Romania to congratulate him on his December 12 election victory. He then had an intelligence briefing.

Later in the morning, in the Oval Office, the President met with Members of Congress and some of their constituents, who presented the President with gifts.

In the afternoon, in the Residence, the President had lunch with Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi of Italy.

In the evening, in Room 350 of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Executive Office Building, the President participated in a holiday reception for moderators and panelists from the ongoing White House Conference on the Economy.

Later in the evening, on the State Floor, the President hosted a holiday reception.

## December 16

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush hosted in a holiday reception for members of the press.

# December 17

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

Later in the morning, in the Oval Office, the President received an update on the report of the U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy. He then signed Executive Order 13366—Committee on Ocean Policy.

The President announced his intention to appoint Bobby R. Burchfield as a member of the Antitrust Modernization Commission.

The President made additional disaster assistance available to West Virginia, which was impacted by severe storms, flooding, and landslides on September 16–27.

#### December 18

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

## December 20

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

## December 21

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan of Turkey to discuss the European Union's decision to begin accession talks with Turkey on October 3, 2005, the situation in Iraq, and other issues. He then had an intelligence briefing.

Later in the morning, in the Oval Office, he met with Office of National Drug Control Policy Director John P. Walters, who presented him with the results of the 2004 Monitoring the Future survey.

In the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President met with Kweisi Mfume, outgoing president and chief executive officer, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Later in the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Camp David, MD.

The White House announced that the President will travel to Germany and the Slovak Republic following his meetings on February 22,

2005, with NATO and European Union leaders in Brussels, Belgium. Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder of Germany will host the President in Germany on February 23. In addition to a bilateral program in the Slovak Republic on February 24, the President will meet with President Vladimir Putin of Russia.

## December 22

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

## December 23

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

#### December 24

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

During the day, the President had telephone conversations with members of the U.S. Armed Forces. He also had a telephone conversation with King Juan Carlos I of Spain to exchange best wishes and holiday greetings.

#### December 25

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

## December 26

In the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX.

## December 27

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing and a briefing on the December 26 earthquake and tsunamis in the Indian Ocean. He also had a telephone conversation with Secretary of State Colin L. Powell to discuss the earthquake and tsunamis in the Indian Ocean and the elections in Ukraine.

The White House announced that the President sent letters of condolence to the leaders of Bangladesh, Thailand, Sri Lanka, Indonesia, India, Maldives, and Malaysia, which were affected by the December 26 earthquake and tsunamis in the Indian Ocean.

## December 28

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing and a briefing on the December 26 earthquake and tsunamis in the Indian Ocean.

## December 29

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

# December 30

In the morning, the President had separate telephone conversations with President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono of Indonesia; Prime Minister Thaksin Chinnawat of Thailand; President Chandrika Bandaranaike Kumaratunga of Sri Lanka; and Prime Minister Manmohan Singh of India to express his condolences and pledge support following the December 26 earthquake and tsunamis in the Indian Ocean. He then had an intelligence briefing.

## December 31

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.